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1. REFTTEL'S REPORT OF VIEWS OF IZZ AL DIN SAYID ON STRATEGY
SUDANESE SHOULD APPLY TO GET MORE AID FROM WEALTHY ARAB STATES
STRIKES US AS VERY NAIVE AND SUPERFICIAL INDEED. AS FAR AS
ABU DHABI IS CONCERNED, HE IS VERY MUCH OUT OF DATE. FINANCE
POLICY HAS NEVER BEEN MADE BY HASSAN ABBAS ZAKI. LATTER MOREOVER IS
NO LONGER IN CHARGE OF ABUNDHABI FUND FOR ARAB ECONOMIC DEVEL-
OPMENT. THIS POSITION IS NOW HELD BY NASIR NUWAIS, A NATIVE
EMIRIAN WHO PREVIOUSLY WAS ADFAED'S DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND WHO FOR
ALL PRACTICAL PURPOSES HAS RUN THE FUND IN THE PAST TWO YEARS.
ZAKI NOW ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL MEMBERS ADFAED BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

2. WHILE POORER NATIONS HAVE IN PAST HADSOME SUCCESS IN OBTAINING
AID THROUGH PERSONAL APPEALS TO UAE PRESIDENT SHAIH ZAYID, EVEN
AID FROM UAE IS SLOWLY BECOMING INSTITUTIONALIZED. AS IT DOES,
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UAE OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTEING AID ARE BEXINNING TO
TAKE A HARDER LOOK. WHILE THE VIEWS OF ABD AL LATIF AL HAMA
ON THE SCENE IN SUDAN ARE NOT REPEATED SO PUNGENTLY IN ABU DHABI,
NONETHELESS THERE
IS A FEELING HERE TO THAT GOS UNWILLINGNESS
TO ACCEPT IMFLRECOMMENDATIONS FOR A STABILIZATION PROGRAM REFLECTS
BAD ECONOMIC MANAGEM EVT AND A LACK OF REALISM ABOUT WHAT

SUDANESE LEADERSHIP CAN EXPECT TO OBTAIN FROM THEIR WEALTHIER
ARAB BRETHREN.
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